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SUBJECT: WOOD'S HOLD PROJECT: CLEARANCE
FOR RV CHAIN

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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF FONMIN NOTE WHICH APPROVED THE
GEOLOGICAL AND GEOPHYSICAL STUDY OF THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN.
QUOTE - THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE ARAB REPUBLIC
OF EGYPT PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND WITH REFERENCE TO THE EMBASSY'S
NOTE NO 305 DATED 31ST OF DECEMBER, 1974 HAS THE HONOR
TO INFORM THAT THE EGYPTIAN COMPETENT AUTHORITIES HAVE
APPROVED THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROJECT CALLED
"GEOLOGICAL AND GEOPHYSICAL STUDY OF THE EASTERN
MEDITERRANEAN" WHICH IS TO BE CARRIED UNDER THE AUSPICES
OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND
TECHNOLOGY AND THE WOODS HOLE OCEANOGRAPHIC INSTITUTE.

THE EGYPTIAN AUTHORITIES REQUEST THAT THE RESEARCH
VESSEL SHOULD AVOID PENETRATING THE EAST OF PORT SAID AREA
AND THE AREA SOUTH OF LATITUDE (31 DEGREES 45 MIN) AND
EAST LONGITUDE (31 DEGREES 35 MIN) UP TILL PORT SAID
BECAUSE NAVIGATION IS DANGEROUS IN THESE AREAS. THE
EGYPTIAN AUTHORITIES ALSO REQUEST ACQUIRING SOME INFORMATION
ABOUT THE DURATION OF THESE STUDIES IN ORDER TO ARRANGE
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NECESSARY SAFETY ARRANGEMENTS.

THE MINISTRY SEIZES THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE
EMBASSY ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

16TH OF JANUARY 19735.

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

NORTH AMERICA DP UNQUOTE

2. ASSUME THAT WOOD'S HOLD WILL AMEND ITS CHARTS
APPROPRIATELY. WE BELIEVE THAT THEY SHOULD HAVE, IF AT ALL
POSSIBLE, NEW CHARTS SHOWING THEIR AREA OF INVESTIGATION
AND COMPLYING WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE
ABOVE NOTE TO GIVE TO ALL CONCERNED PARTIES UPON ARRIVAL.
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